

offender's neck. The true "little ones" of our Saviour's admonition are not generally to be found associating with the members of a clique, who are dangerous simply because they are capable of planning evil against one, not because the injury they can inflict is eternal in its effects. The department of current events has been stocked with educational news from every part of the world, not for the sake of merely giving the news, but in order that the movements of educationists of other parts might become a hint to the teachers of the Province of Quebec in their efforts to progress. It has been said that the RECORD has not kept up with the times in the matter of providing the right kind of news items—educational news items of our own province; and if this refers to the lack of personals we have to declare the RECORD guilty. Yet no one who has done work for the general educational good has been ignored or overlooked, nor has his work been slighted; and whenever any of our teachers or prominent educationists have had a word to say on any educational matter, their communications have been gratefully received and gladly inserted either in the body of the periodical or in the department of Correspondence. When we note the improvement in this department we feel satisfied that there are many teachers among our readers who are willing to help on any movement by their advice and advocacy, and we trust their number will increase as the years go by. The better positions in our province are very much improved within the last ten years, and the improvement has taken place not because any one wished to have the credit of bringing about the improvement but because the improvement was a necessity. The true spirit of co-operation is not to be identified with the spirit of cliquism. The one is broad and catholic in its efforts, the latter narrow and selfish; and as long as our teachers are secure of the confidence of those endowed with the former, there need be no fear entertained of the machinations of those who combine to do a harm, because the doing of a harm may gratify themselves and others while in a combination of self-seeking. With his prospects improved, the teacher is in a better position to defend his interests, by rallying round that spirit of co-operation which has no purpose to serve save the improvement of our system. The improvement of the system has been the only object the EDUCATIONAL RECORD, under its present editorial management, has had in view, and we look to our teachers to rally round it as an exponent of that spirit of co-operation which it has always endeavoured to promote.